

Gypsy and Travellers Site Options Response to Site GT02

Land abutting the Fosse Way at its junction with the A425

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Rep. Ref. 10100

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Criteria by which Gypsy and Traveller's sites will be judged for suitability and sustainability by Warwick District Council:

- Convenient access to a GP surgery, school and public transport;
- Avoiding areas with a high risk of flooding;
- Safe access to the road network and provision for parking, turning and servicing on site;
- Provision of utilities (running water, toilet facilities waste disposal etc);
- Avoiding areas where there could be an adverse impact on important features of the natural and historic environment; and,
- Sites which can be integrated into the landscape without harming the character of the area.
- Promotes peaceful and integrated co-existence between the site and the local community;
- Avoids placing undue pressure on local infrastructure and services;
- Reflects the extent to which traditional lifestyles (whereby some travellers live and work from the same location thereby omitting many travel to work journeys) can contribute to sustainability.

IT IS IMPORTANT to comment/object adhering to the above criteria and the council provided form follows that process. It is implied that you should use the WDC form or the response form available online. YOU ARE HOWEVER STILL PERMITTED to respond by writing to the Council's Development Policy Manager or you could choose to use this site specific form prepared for GT 02

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OBJECT

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Please set out full details of your objection or representation of support with reference to the criteria as outlined by the council.

There is no GP surgery nearby to the proposed site. Harbury surgery, 3 miles away is already overstretched.

The B4455 road, the Fosse Way, is an extremely busy road, especially in rush hours when Gaydon automotive factory workers are travelling to and from work. At times traffic is at a standstill and there are many accidents.

Few gypsies or travellers go to work. They produce a high crime rate. We have one Policeman covering this rural area and he has to cover many square miles. Gypsies do not co-exist well with others because of their bad behaviour, SUCH AS THEIVING OF METAL, litter dropping, noisiness and unacceptable ways.

There is no school near the proposed site.

The site could blight our beautiful countryside with litter and rubbish and put off the tourists that some of us are trying to attract to the area. The farming community are often struggling to balance their books and would be hindered in many ways by gypsies living near by.

I am a partner in a farming business, close to the Fosse Way near Harbury. Ten years ago we had to diversify in order to make the farm viable and started a small caravan site and caravan storage. The storage of caravans had to stop because of several thefts of caravans. Fences were broken down and crops trampled, by gypsies getting caravans out. Gates were left open and sheep

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Warwick District Council will judge proposed sites against the nationally accepted criteria. The purpose of the criteria is to seek to meet the requirements of the Gypsy and Travellers community not necessarily local residents, businesses and employment.

Areas of concern could include:

• Agriculture • Animal Welfare • Co-existence • Crime • Ecology and Habitat • Education/Schools • Healthcare/ Surgeries • Highways and Safety • Local Economy • Rural Landscape • Services and Utilities • Tourism • Traffic Density/ Flow • Urbanisation.

I OBJECT

I APPROVE

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to the proposals on the following grounds -

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escaped onto the road. One missing caravan was later found on a traveller site near Oxford.

The caravan site has grown since then and is now affiliated to the Caravan Club. Many bookings are received from caravanners attending the Warwickshire exhibition Centre. If that has to close we will lose alot of business.

The proximity of a Traveller and Gypsy site 2 miles away would be very off putting to tourist caravanners coming here on holiday; as they are known to cause harassment to shop keepers and publicans.

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Do you have any other suggestions for land within Warwick District that you think would be suitable for use as a Gypsy and Traveller site, bearing in mind the criteria for site identification?. If so, please give the location and the landowners details below:

I suggest a brown field site near to a high Police presence in a town.

Guidance on Making Representations

- You may withdraw your objection at any time by writing to Warwick District Council, address below. It is important that you include your name and address as anonymous forms cannot be accepted. If your address details change, please inform WDC in writing.
- All forms should be received by **5.15 p.m. on Monday, 29 July 2013**
- Copies of all the objections and supporting representations will be made available for others to see at the council's offices at Riverside House and online via the council's e-consultation system. Please note that all comments are in the public domain and the Council cannot accept confidential objections. The information will be held on a database and used to assist with the preparation of the new plan for Gypsy and Traveller sites and with consideration of planning applications in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

To return this form please drop off at either Riverside House, Leamington Town Hall or your local library or post to **Development Policy Manager, Development Services, Warwick District Council, Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Leamington Spa CV32 5QH** or email to: newlocalplan@warwickdc.gov.uk